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Executive Order No. 21-96

EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY TO EXIST STATEWIDE IN THE STATE OF MONTANA

WHEREAS, extremely dry conditions and high winds have combined to create hazardous fire conditions throughout the State, and

WHEREAS, wildland fires are currently burning and have created an imminent threat of a disaster which timely action can avert or minimize, and

WHEREAS, these conditions authorize the Governor to mobilize state resources and the Montana National Guard tprotect life, health, and property and authorize the Governor under Section 10-3-312 (b), MCA, to expend funds from the general fund to meet contingencies arising from the emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARC RACICOT, Governor of the State of

Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor under the Constitution of the State of Montana, Title 10, Chapter 3, MCA, and under other applicable statutes, do hereby declare that a state of emergency exists in the State of Montana as defined in Sections 10-3-103 and 10-3-302, MCA.

This order is effective immediately.

Given under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this day of Aucust, 1996.

MARC RACICOT, Governor

ATTEST:

MIKE COONEY, Secretary of State

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